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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Final Office Action in the above-referenced patent application mailed July 16, 1998, be extended for two (2) months to and including December 16, 1998. Enclosed is a check for \$340.00 for the required fee (\$190 Petition for Two Month Extension + \$150 Notice of Appeal). Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment fees to Deposit Account 07-1185.

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